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WOOD FROM WILDS OF LABRADOR

New source of paper for Europe?

Three hundred lumbermen and forestry engineers are on their way from Finland to Canada on one of the most ambitious undertakings in the history of lumbering.

They are to broach 1400 square miles of timber in one of the wildest corners of one of the wildest parts of the world—the Lake Melville area of Labrador.

SHE STOPPED TWO TRAINS

An Englishwoman on the Trieste-Milan express lost her suitcases when the door flew open as the train went round a bend.

She pulled the communication cord, and officials helped her to search beside the line. But in the darkness the cases could not be found, and the train could be held up no longer.

She refused to board the train again and was left still searching. Soon she found her cases, managed to stop the next train, and arrived at Milan only a few minutes after the express.

OWL WITH AN EYE FOR A PICTURE

"Watch the dicky-bird," photographers used to say to young sitters; but now there is a camera-man who watches the dicky-bird!

Captain Phil Plastow, a Canadian Army photographer in Korea, adopted a little local owl as a pet and named him Elmer. When pictures are being taken Elmer likes to perch on his master's shoulder and keep an eye on operations.

As a result of this happy partnership Captain Plastow has found that he can dispense with an exposure meter. The size of the



Elmer eyes his master

iris in Elmer's eyes varies with the intensity of the light, and the photographer can judge the speed for his camera shutter after glancing into his pet's eyes!

Elmer, of course, looks as wise as an owl about it.

ABOUT nine times the size of Belgium, Labrador is bounded to landward by Quebec's largely unexplored "barrens," where neither man nor animal can live, and seaward by icefloes which for seven months of the year offer an impenetrable barrier to shipping.

Here, on this rugged coast where the only inhabitants are a handful of Eskimos and trappers, the Finns will build a port for the handling of the timber from Lake Melville.

LAKESIDE TOWN

A road and, later perhaps, a railway will be thrust along the contorted canyons to the lakeside. There, a lumbering township will be built complete with cold-proof schools, churches, sawmills, shops, and prefabricated houses.

The venture reflects the desperate need of Europe for paper pulp. The Canadians have no need to broach the timber of Lake Melville: there are many more readily available forests. But such is Europe's need for paper pulp that a Swiss firm, financed by a Swiss industrialist, is prepared to spend millions to overcome immense difficulties in search of a new source of supply.

The plan certainly involves mammoth problems, or, as one of the Finns put it to a C N correspondent, "Much hard works to make!"

The cold of the Labrador winter, now not far distant, is so severe that the blade of an axe can shatter like porcelain unless it is warmed gently before use.

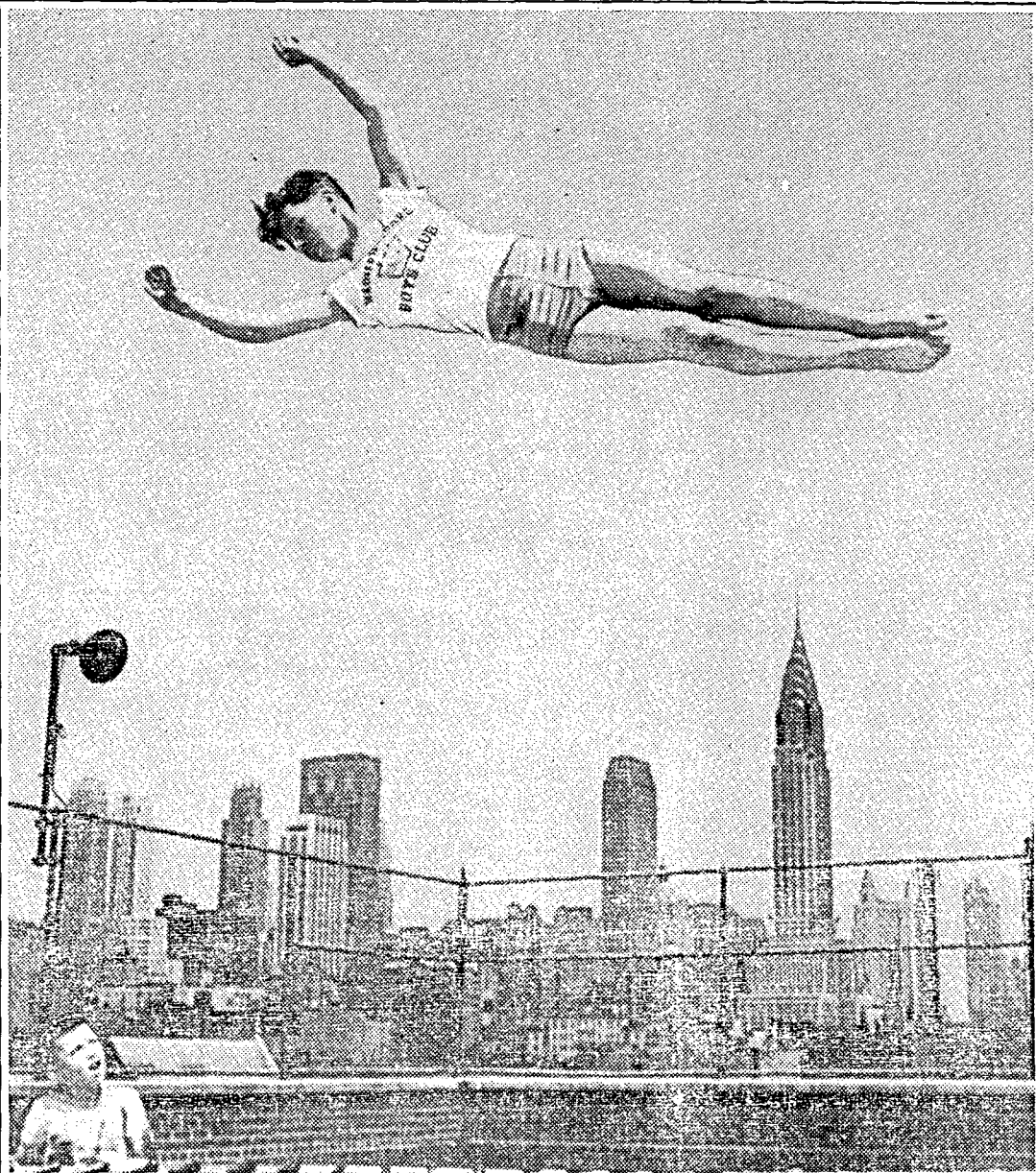
ROUGH GOING

The country is rugged in the extreme, in some parts so rugged that a man may have to crawl on hands and knees to make any headway—witness the words of Michael Wyatt, a Canadian prospector who was rescued by helicopter last month when the ruggedness of the terrain proved too much for him: "The going was so rough sometimes that I had to crawl like an animal."

To get heavy timber-cutting and building equipment to Lake Melville will demand tremendous effort. Every nail, every tool, and all food for the builders will have to be carried considerable distances to the working sites.

From October, when ice once again grips the coast, the only way of reaching them will be by air and to reach them thus will entail building airstrips. This will in

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WITCH DOCTORS WANTED

It would be a bit puzzling to hear new boys, discussing the school, say:

"This is a rotten school! The master couldn't even stop the rain before we went home!"

"I agree; the masters are hopeless. I asked ours to teach me how to turn the blackboard into a snake, and he didn't even know how to do it himself!"

But something like that might be heard in western New Guinea, where, says a U.N. report, Aborigines expect to be taught magical tricks at school.

ROUND TRIP

A 19-year-old canoeist of North Luffenham, Rutland, paddled 130 miles by river and sea from Duddington, Northamptonshire, to Great Yarmouth in a 13-foot canoe which he made for £7.

The voyage took him ten days, and when he reached Yarmouth his canoe capsized on the beach. After a surprise visit to his friends in the town, he went home by train.

Skyscraper

High above the streets of Manhattan, New York, a member of the Madison Square Boys' Club shows his prowess on a home-made trampoline.

PIANO WIRE GOES HAYWIRE

At Blackburn recently the Hallé Orchestra had reached the fast final movement of a concerto when a wire of the piano went haywire, came adrift, and coiled itself round neighbouring wires.

Bravely the pianist played on, but every time he struck those keys the sort of sounds issued forth that make cold shudders run up and down a conductor's spine.

Frantically a cello player tried to free the wire. Then the conductor, Sir John Barbirolli, came from his rostrum, grasped the truant wire and held it with one hand while he continued conducting with the other.

A violinist relieved him, holding the wire with two hands until the concerto came to triumphant end.

PELICAN OUT OF PLACE

A pelican recently made an appearance in the Cheviot foothills of north Northumberland where it seemed well satisfied with the local conditions and disposed to settle in the district.

It could be seen feeding on fish which it caught in the River Till, and it found a roosting-place in the tree-tops in a vicarage garden.

This north of England pelican was a big specimen—"as big as a sheep" according to one report—and it scared many local people by appearing near them during the hours of darkness. Local anglers were particularly worried by the pelican's huge appetite for fish.

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CHINESE PUZZLE

By the C N Diplomatic Correspondent

THE events of the past few weeks have shown again that China, with its 500 million people, is a nation whose attitude towards the outside world is inscrutable. It is a puzzle that other nations have never been able to solve.

China, playing a major part in the Korean war, is, of course, the power responsible for the long delays in the truce talks. That makes things difficult enough. But behind that is the knowledge that unless the Chinese are willing to be neighbourly in the East it will be a very delicate business indeed to keep peace in the world.

Perhaps the true reason for much of China's very awkward behaviour recently is that her people are thoroughly disappointed.

By 1950 they had a brand-new Government—the Chinese People's Republic—and they thought that 20 years of war against the foreigner and civil war were over for good and all.

THE SIMPLE LIFE

The majority of Chinese did not much mind that the new Government was Communist. What they most looked forward to was having a united country at last, and living the simple way all the Chinese like to live.

At first the new Dictator, Mao Tse-Tung, seemed kindly enough. Then he began to collect the grain taxes he wanted. Large numbers of the Chinese showed that they did not mean to pay as much as his tax-collectors demanded. Harsh punishments were handed out.

Mao Tse-Tung found, too, that there were still many parts of China outside Communist control, particularly in the south, where he is still trying to capture roving bandits.

Furthermore, people refused to use the Chinese equivalent of banknotes. They decided they were just worthless bits of paper. Mao became more and more angry—and suspicious that his hold on the country was not so firm after all.

RUSSIA'S HAND

Mao went to Moscow. He was there for months, and nobody yet knows whether Communist Russia is really the overlord of the new Communist China or not.

The hand of Russia has indeed shown itself in the way the Chinese have acted during the war in Korea. The Chinese "volunteer" army went into it on the side of the North Korean aggressors, and Western nations fear that the Soviets are at least partly to blame for adding this to the world's troubles.

Britain has tried all along to overcome the resentment of China's Government towards the West. This country believes that in the end the good sense of the Chinese people will overcome the turmoil and upset into which all the years of disaster have plunged her.

Certainly, a wave of patriotism has swept over the Chinese. They want China for themselves, and they are tired of having foreigners there—whether they are Japanese or of any other nationality.

Britain has tried to be as under-

standing as possible. There is some belief that the mysterious Mao, claiming to be the Leader of the new China, does not like the Russians when they interfere too closely in Chinese affairs.

So the nations watch anxiously for the next events in China.

The signs are not entirely reassuring. The Communists have even banned the books of Confucius, greatest and wisest of China's ancient teachers, from their schools. They say that his teachings are "feudal and reactionary."

It is as if there were a sudden order in this country banning all history, poetry, and literature generally from our schools.

Well, the ideals of Confucius, most courteous and mild of the sages, have been bred in the Chinese since 500 B.C. So perhaps Mao with his harsh creeds will find it harder to get rid of Confucius than he thinks.

The Chinese have a habit of returning to their old way of life.



Old friends at the seaside

The holiday season is rapidly drawing to a close, but for these donkeys on the beach at New Brighton the holiday season will soon begin.

WOOD FROM LABRADOR

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turn mean delivering airstrip machinery to the sites selected.

Goose Bay, the airport used by some of the B.O.A.C. and Trans-Canada airliners, will probably be First Base.

Ultimately some 1400 lumbermen from the Dominion will be employed in the dark spruce forests flanking Melville Lake.

In winter they will pile up the timber they fell. In early summer it will be borne on the great River Hamilton, which flows through the lake and thence to the coast.

It is hoped that the lumbermen will fell 180,000 tons of timber annually. On this the Swiss will pay Newfoundland about 100,000 dollars in royalties, for Labrador is part of that Canadian province.

All being well, it is expected that the first shipment will be ready by next summer.

FISHING FOR A FIGHTER

One of the most dramatic salvage operations of our times has been carried out off the west coast of Korea.

A crashed Russian-built MIG-15, one of the latest types of jet fighter, was recovered under the very eyes of the Communists. It was lying in shallow water off the coast more than 100 miles behind the enemy lines.

A party of 50 American, British, and South Korean soldiers, sailors, and airmen, led by Captain W. L. M. Brown, R.N., floundered about in the pools and holes of the mudflats only a little over a mile from the enemy ashore.

OPERATION CROWN JEWELS

They attached lines to the parts of the wrecked aircraft sticking out of the mud and water, so that a crane on a landing-craft could lift them. A British diver went down some of the deeper holes searching for more wreckage.

Our men called the effort Operation Crown Jewels, because it was supposed to be something like an attempt to recover King John's regalia from the Wash!

The modern treasure-seekers finished their work in two days.

News From Everywhere

HALF-PRICE

Until they are 17 children will be admitted at half-price to the Old Vic Theatre at all matinees during the season which opens on September 24.

More than 12,000 tons of food in cans, and 3000 tons of fresh meat were sent to Britain from Australia in the five years before the Food-for-Britain Fund closed last December.

Berliners who dial 04 on their telephones now hear weather forecasts for the next day.

In the first half of the year West Germany received foreign orders for ships totalling £37,000,000, and is now fifth among the ship-building countries.

Whale-spotters

Royal Australian Air Force airmen on training flights are keeping watch for whales for the information of the British Institute of Oceanography.

New Zealand fishermen are receiving record prices for crayfish, the tails being bought for half-a-crown a pound for export to America.

South London Girls' Choir, founded by a Balham schoolmaster, is to make a concert tour of Holland.

FLYING FIRE-FIGHTERS

The bombardment of clouds from a plane has given British Columbia its first rain for 90 days. The downpour helped to check a 1900-acre bush fire on Vancouver Island.

So popular are British films in Japan that they earn probably as much as in all the rest of the Far East, states the British Film Producers' Association.

Mr. H. L. J. Sheard, station-master of Whittlesey, Cambridgeshire, has collected 10,000 cigarette cards in complete sets, 11,000 stamps, and 5000 British and foreign Service badges.

Overheard

Radio reports from London police cars have recently been picked up by the German radio-control station at Detmold, southwest of Hanover—about 420 miles from London.

An operating profit of £240,000 was made by B.O.A.C. in the four months ending July 31. About £200,000 was made in July, when revenue reached the record sum of £2,873,000.

LOOSER NECKWEAR

Boys of King's School, Auckland, the last New Zealand school where they are worn, are to dispense with Eton collars as Sunday dress at the end of the year.

Scout regional jamborees for 1952 are already in preparation in Scotland (Blair Atholl and Glasgow), Northern Ireland, Wales (Haverfordwest), and Essex.

British Scouts have been invited to send representatives to the Caribbean jamboree, Jamaica, from March 5 to 17.

Hard-headed

After falling five floors down a lift well and landing on his head in some debris a 38-year-old Negro at Louisville, Kentucky, scrambled to his feet apparently unhurt.

Rough Tor, the second highest peak in Cornwall, intended as the site of a war memorial to the 43rd Wessex Division, has been given to the National Trust by Sir Richard Onslow.

Japan's biggest whaling fleet since the war, 46 ships, will sail for the Antarctic next month.

A Meteor jet-engined aircraft has been flown to a height of 39,370 feet in three minutes seven seconds, breaking four climbing speed records.

Out of Season

When two ladies presented themselves at South Bank with season tickets for the Great Exhibition of 1851 which had belonged to their grandmothers the Festival authorities agreed to the use of the tickets again.

Four Royal Canadian Sea Cadets have sailed their home-made launch from Liverpool to London by way of Manchester and Birmingham, and down the Grand Union Canal to Brentford.

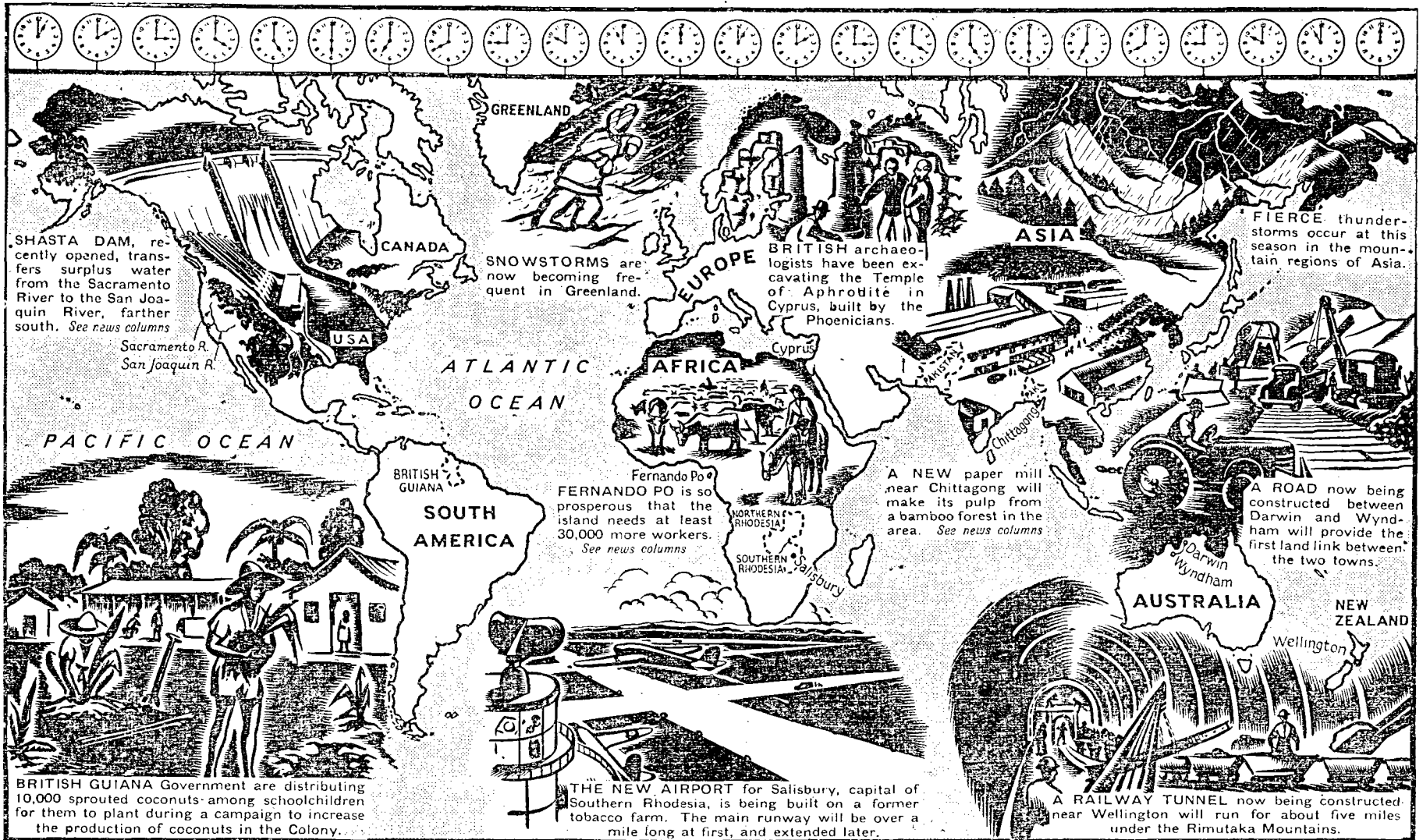
South African ex-Servicemen are raising funds for a "boys' town" for Italians in gratitude for Italian help to escaped prisoners of war.

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The clocks at the top of this map show time all over the world. Sunlight moves westward round the Earth, travelling 15 degrees an hour. At noon in Greenwich for every 15 degrees east the day is one hour older, and for every 15 degrees west the day is one hour younger.

ISLAND IMPORTS WORKERS

At least another 30,000 workers are needed to maintain the economy and trade of the Spanish island of Fernando Po, in the Bight of Biafra, West Africa.

This prosperous island, the chief of the Spanish Guinea Islands, is inhabited by the Bubis, a Bantu tribe, and has large farms producing maize, yams, cocoa, and coffee. There are also extensive cattle ranches.

Already there are 20,000 workers from Nigeria on the island, but the new workers are needed to maintain the export of coffee and cocoa, as well as cattle. This additional labour will have to be imported.

See World Map

SCYTHES FOR SICKLES

Travelling in a jeep in the remote farming country of Afghanistan, experts of the United Nations Food and Agricultural Organisation are introducing to primitive farmers the steel spade and fork.

Even more revolutionary is the coming of the scythe to reap the harvest. Afghanistan harvesters have always used a small sickle.

ONE RIVER HELPS ANOTHER

The Shasta Dam in California, recently brought into operation, is 602 feet high, the second highest in the world.

It enables the surplus water of the Sacramento River (flowing from north to south) to compensate for the lack of water in the San Joaquin River (flowing from south to north) which runs into the Sacramento near San Francisco.

The dam stores flood water from the Sacramento, and as the water leaves the dam it generates electric power which works pumps nearly 200 miles away where the two rivers join. These pumps raise the water 200 feet into a canal which follows the course of the San

Joaquin southward for 117 miles, when the water falls into the bed of the river.

Now amply supplied, the San Joaquin flows north to benefit the land in a way which the normal river did not.

Consequently, the upper waters of the San Joaquin are not now needed in the lower reaches, so they are also damned and caused to run south for 150 miles instead of normally flowing north! The San Joaquin River thus provides water for a very dry area.

Indeed, the whole Shasta Dam scheme demonstrates a most ingenious way of using the natural water resources of the area to the best advantage. See World Map

SAVING THE KEY DEER

The Key deer, smallest of its family in America, is on the verge of extinction.

Naturalists have come to their aid, and the chances are that they can be saved, according to the National Geographic Society.

At present there is a bill before the American Congress which would provide sanctuary to check the downward trend in numbers of this animal, which is no bigger than a collie dog.

These miniature deer were abundant all the way from Key Largo to Key West in the 16th century. Hurricanes and hunters have helped to deplete their numbers.

The Key deer does not change colour in summer and its antlers differ from those of the large, and flourishing white-tailed or Virginian deer. An adult deer weighs about 35 lbs.

BACON FROM BEET

If experiments now being made with the growing of fodder beet are successful, we may all look forward to more bacon, ham, and pork in the future.

This autumn fodder beet will be harvested for the first time in any quantity in this country, and fed raw to pigs. The beet, which a farmer describes as "a cross between a mangel-wurzel and a sugar beet," may solve the problem of feeding pigs without imports of special foods. Continental experiments have raised hopes high.

WORLD'S HIGHEST AIRPORT

The highest airport in the world will soon be completed. It is at La Paz, the capital of Bolivia, and is 12,400 feet high. Not only is the new airport the highest in the world, but it will also have one of the longest runways, 16,000 feet.

ROVING DENTIST

Frank Drury's dental practice lies along the great highway, a thousand miles long, which runs from Darwin to Alice Springs, through the very heart of Australia.

With his wife, who acts as his nurse, he travels in his caravan, and makes calls along the route, for extractions, fillings, and so on.

It takes Mr. Drury about three months to do the journey from Darwin to Alice Springs and back.

At Tennant Creek, Mr. Drury uses one end of a baker's shop for his dental surgery, at Ti Tree a shed, and at Katherine a billiard room. His appointments with the lonely men, women, and children of Central Australia now number some thousands a year. Some of his patients travel over a hundred miles to the highway.

In due course, Mr. Drury hopes to have a mobile surgery. Then he will be prepared to go off the beaten track.

BAMBOO PAPER

The world scarcity of paper will be eased a little by a new mill near Chittagong, in Eastern Pakistan.

Within 40 miles of the mill grows a forest of bamboo able to supply 100,000 tons a year, which can be turned into 30,000 tons of paper.

This will be Asia's biggest paper mill. The Karnafuli River will eventually provide power to drive the mill, and the all-important supply of water—a necessary ingredient for paper-making.

Bamboo makes fine and superfine writing papers.

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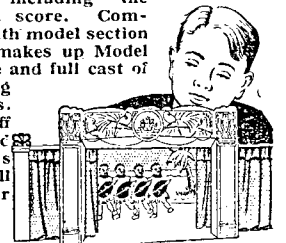
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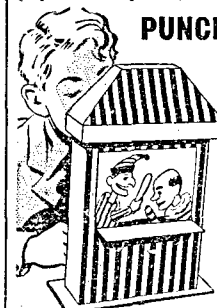
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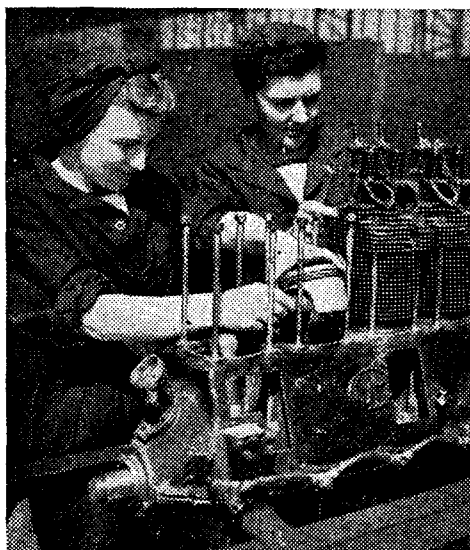
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Learning to be Aircraft Mechanics

The two Wrens on the left are stripping down an aircraft engine at the Royal Naval Air Station at Yeovil, Somerset. At the end of their 20-week course they will graduate as aero-engine mechanics.

The aircraftwoman on the right, working on the tail of a Lancaster bomber, is training as an air wireless mechanic at Yatesbury R. A. F. Station, Wiltshire.



HARVEST MOON BRINGS HIGH TIDE

September, the season of "mists and mellow fruitfulness," brings us also the beauty of the Harvest Moon, which this year will be seen at the full on the 15th of the month.

Usually, the Moon rises later every 24 hours by nearly 50 minutes, but in September it so happens that there comes a period of a few days about the time of the Full Moon when moonrise occurs instead only about ten minutes later each evening—and about the time the Sun is setting.

This fact helps the farmer, giving additional light for the gathering of the harvest, just as it did in the Holy Land two thousand years ago, when Ruth gleaned in the barley fields "until even," in order that she and Naomi, who loved each other, might have bread to eat.

With the Harvest Moon, too, we get one of the highest tides of the year.

The tidal wave which floods twice each day into all our creeks and inlets, and washes clean our beaches, comes to us from the Atlantic Ocean. It is best to think of it as a gigantic ripple which travels round the Earth every 12 hours.

It is easy to understand the

reason for one tide a day, but more difficult to account for two.

Let us imagine the Earth as being under the influence of the Moon alone, and standing still and motionless in space. The gravitational attraction between the Moon and the Earth would tend to create a tidal wave directly under the Moon. On the opposite side of the Earth another wave would form, due to the fact that the force of gravity would, at it were, pull the earth away from the water, which would thus be left piled up behind.

Now, with two tidal waves heaped up on opposite sides of the Earth, imagine the Earth rotating daily on its axis. We can see at once that there would be two tidal waves, each 12 hours apart. Owing to the movement of the Moon the average interval between successive high tides is actually 12 hours 25 minutes.

The Sun also raises tides on the Earth, though only four-ninths the size of those raised by the Moon.

So if we add the Sun's pull on the sea to that of the Moon, it will be clear that, whenever the Moon is new or full, their combined forces act on the Earth in a straight line, and cause very high tides.

RECORDING A BIRTHDAY

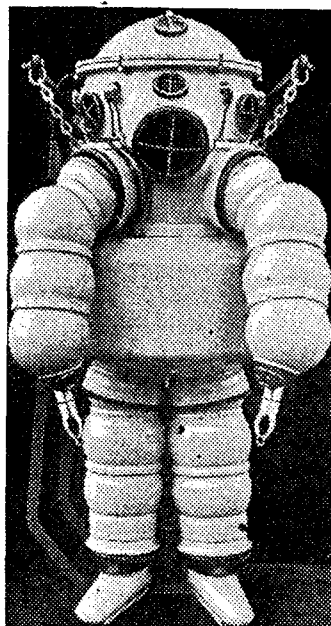
Most of the older Bantu people in South Africa reckon the passage of time not so much by the calendar as by some important national event, or by some outstanding experience in the life of the tribe.

Children born during the South African war, for example are said to have come "when the land burned with flame," and some years later when a meteorite fell in the Mozabuka Monze district of Northern Rhodesia, the occasion became known, and is still referred to, as "the night the star fell."

Sufficient indications to fix a birthday are "the days of the great rains," or "the year when the man-eating lions came."

This poetic description may sound adequate to the Bantu folk, but it was not easy, as the enumerators in the recent Transvaal census found, to estimate the ages of certain tribesmen, for the only information was that they were born "on the night of the disappearing darkness."

Man of steel



This steel diving suit, which can be used in a depth of over 500 feet, is being employed to salvage instruments from the German battleship *Blücher*, sunk during the war in a Norwegian fjord.

Craven Hill, Our Zoo Correspondent, writes this week on...

WHIPSNADE BABIES

Attractions at Whipsnade this season are as numerous as ever, but the emphasis is very much on the "baby class."

In almost every paddock young animals can be seen romping around their parents, and in some enclosures there are "babies only." One of these contains six Pere David's fawns, all recently bred at Woburn Park but now in the care of Mr. Philip Bates, Whipsnade's overseer, who is bringing them up on the bottle.

The fawns are not Mr. Bates's only "bottle-babies." For also being fed by him in this way are a valuable Soay lamb, born at Whipsnade but deserted by its mother, and also a new-born common goat.

In another part of the zoo-park is a litter of eight Husky pups. They, however, are not likely to remain here long. They will, in fact, be sold to the public, as was a previous litter born earlier this year.

The pups are most attractive animals, with black-and-white coats. But although they are hardy animals and make attractive pets, they are somewhat boisterous, and are essentially "country dogs."

Town is not the place for Huskies, and the Zoo officials are accordingly very selective about the offers they receive for them. They let the animals go only to homes where they will have plenty of room for exercise, and also where the Huskies can be provided with outdoor kennels.

There are, of course, many new bird families, not the least important being three young Barnacle geese, the first bred in the zoo-park for over ten years.

Keepers have every hope that these goslings will be successfully reared. And not without reason. They are the best-guarded young birds in the whole park.

Wherever they wander they are accompanied by their parents, and as the gander is a large, heavily-built bird with plenty of fight in him, even birds larger than himself take care to keep out of his way.

The respect in which the gander is held can best be seen when he takes his fluffy, grey goslings on to the water. Waterfowl of all kinds promptly scurry away. Even large swans, which would not normally hesitate to drive off the goslings, retreat when they see the proud gander.

There is an unexpected diversion just now for visitors taking elephant rides, for the riders find themselves accompanied by a friendly jackdaw. The bird, an "ex-pet," was sent to the zoo-park recently and, at the request of the owner, was given the freedom of the grounds.

Jacky promptly took up his quarters on the elephant "ride," and now spends every night roosting on the steps up which people climb to the backs of the elephants.

At midday the jackdaw spends his time raiding picnic parties near the "ride." But as soon as the elephants are brought out on duty, Jacky conceives it his duty to escort them up and down.

Not always does the jackdaw get a smooth passage. Often he alights on the ground just in front of the advancing elephant, who promptly lowers her trunk-tip, aims at the bird, and literally blows Jacky well up into the air!

BLACKBOARD IN THE SKY

A 17-year-old South African schoolboy got more thrills than he bargained for when he "borrowed" a plane at Cape Town, recently.

He had often lingered at the airfield, eagerly watching the planes, and had flown as a passenger, but he had never had the chance to handle a plane's controls himself. The longing to do so overcame him and, early one morning, he went to the airfield and climbed into an Auster light plane.

To his delight, he took off easily. Then suddenly he realised that he had not the least idea

of how to land! All his pleasure vanished at the thought that what goes up must come down.

He scribbled a note explaining his desperate situation and dropped it on the airfield. Two real pilots went up in an aircraft with a blackboard, on which they printed instructions on how to land. They flew alongside the amateur displaying it.

The schoolboy studied the words, and then made an almost perfect landing!

His foolhardy experience aloft, however, was too much for him. He collapsed, and had to be taken home in an ambulance!

ANOTHER HISTORIC CASTLE TO VISIT

Rothsay Castle, whose maintenance has just been taken over by the Ministry of Works, will be opened to the public—when the bridge is made stronger to take the expected large numbers of visitors.

The castle was built in the 13th century, and the wall, which is nine feet thick and 30 feet high, has four round towers. It is the only existing example of its early type of castellated building in Scotland.

Rothsay Castle was a royal residence from Robert III to James V of Scotland. Since 1498 the Stuarts of Bute have been Hereditary Keepers of the Castle, and this office is continued in the agreement with the Ministry of Works.

In 1398 Rothsay gave its title to the first Dukedom in Scotland, and one of the titles of the eldest son of a British King is that of the Duke of Rothsay.

NEW HOME FOR THE UNITED NATIONS

Delegates to the United Nations, who for five years have held their discussions in cramped quarters at Lake Success and Flushing Meadow, will soon be meeting in comfort in the new skyscraper Headquarters Building in New York.

First to be completed were the three conference rooms. In one of them delegates will walk across a blue carpet to sit at tables of teak. Another room has mahogany tables and grey carpeting.

Many countries have helped to supply fittings and decorations.

Lighting and other fixtures for the Security Council chamber were given by Norway. Sweden and Denmark helped similarly with the Economic and Social Council and Trusteeship Council chambers.

In the delegates' lounges, furniture and decorations have been supplied by the United Kingdom, Czechoslovakia, France, U.S.A., and Yugoslavia, as well as many other countries. The restaurant includes fittings made from English oak, American walnut, Philippine teak, Cuban mahogany, and South American limba.

MEAT LOST IN SOUTH AFRICA

We might be able to import meat from South Africa if a way could be found to prevent lions, thirst, and disease from killing so much livestock.

More cattle and sheep are lost from these causes than are eaten by human beings in South Africa, according to the recently-

published Agricultural Census for 1947-48.

This shows that during the year, 850,000 cattle and 2,250,000 sheep were lost, and experts say that if these losses could be reduced by half, South Africa could export meat. At present there is a meat shortage there.

He Made the First Moving Pictures

WHENEVER I enter a cinema I feel as though I am going into a different world—a world where nothing is impossible.

I can be with the aeroplanes soaring in the sky; I can be with the motor-car driving through country that is changing every moment; I can even be sharing the sights of the deep-sea diver down on the sea bed—sights that are altering every second. Indeed it is a world of tireless movement!

And sometimes I stop and think how this wonderful invention began—how, 62 years ago, the first movies flickered on the screen. In 1889 my grandfather, William Friese-Greene, threaded a strip of celluloid film through his projector and there flashed on the screen the first moving pictures similar to those we see in the cinema today.

WILLIAM GREENE was born in Bristol in 1855. When he was a schoolboy at the Queen Elizabeth's Hospital School he showed a marked aptitude for chemistry and physics, and the lives of the great scientists always inspired him and caught his imagination.

On leaving school he was apprenticed to a photographer by the name of Guttenberg. But he

In London next week *The Magic Box* is to have its first showing. This film has been made by the whole of the British cinema industry as a Festival Year tribute to the Bristol-born man who invented moving pictures. Our story of the great achievement has been specially written for the Children's Newspaper by the inventor's grandson—

ANTHONY WILLIAM FRIESE-GREENE

was soon doing more than just tidying up the studio when Mr. Guttenberg's clients came to be photographed; it was not long before he was photographing them himself.

For some years William remained with Guttenberg as his apprentice, and in the evenings spent most of his time reading what books there were about photography—he was learning all he could. But on marrying Helene Friese (whose name he added to his own) he needed more money, and he left Mr. Guttenberg.

WITHIN a short time Friese-Greene managed to open a studio of his own in Bath.

Soon he was to open photographic studios in London as well, but one very important thing was to happen to him before he left the West of England. He was to meet Roebuck Rudge of Bath, known to the people of that city as the "Jar of Knowledge."

It was Rudge who finally determined Friese-Greene to find a means of making pictures move. But Rudge's methods were not practical enough. It took Friese-Greene nine years after meeting Rudge to solve the problems in a way which has enabled the cinema to become what it is.

Friese-Greene already knew that if a series of pictures followed each other quickly enough (at least 16 pictures per second), an effect of continuous and natural movement would be created.

This phenomenon has come to be known as "persistence of vision." When we are looking at the screen in a cinema all we are seeing in reality is a number of these photographs very rapidly following each other across the screen.

WHEN, therefore, Friese-Greene came to London in 1885, one of his main problems was to find some material which could be

passed through a projector at sufficient speed to create this "persistence of vision." What could he use?

He tried paper soaked in castor-oil to make it transparent, but it tore too easily. He needed some other stronger material. Perhaps the new material called celluloid would be better—it was certainly stronger.

At last a way was found to make this celluloid, which was normally opaque, transparent. Early in 1889 Friese-Greene, with his newly-built camera, went to Hyde Park to see if he would now be successful in getting moving pictures.

HE had arranged to meet his cousin, Alfred Carter, at the Apsley Gate, and Friese-Greene thought it would be a good idea to take a film of his cousin as he came towards him.

He was full of excitement and doubt as he waited for the arrival of his cousin. Suddenly in the distance his cousin appeared, pulling his reluctant son behind him. Immediately Friese-Greene started to work his camera.

A few hours later Friese-Greene was at work in his laboratory in Holborn. Patiently he developed



William Friese-Greene

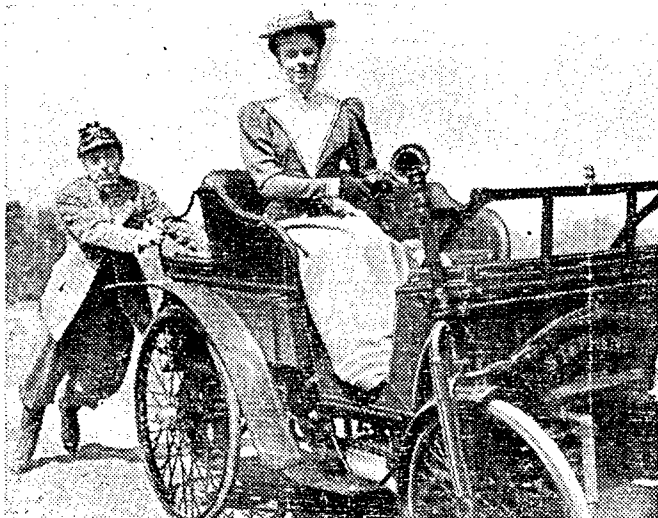
and printed the film. Would it be a success, or would there be nothing on the film at all?

There was, and with shaking hands he threaded the film into the projector which he hoped would show the moving picture. Then he started to operate it.

Focusing his eyes on the screen he suddenly realised it was all there—everything! He saw again the scene at Hyde Park—his cousin walking towards him with his little boy.

The excitement was too much for Friese-Greene to bear alone. Running outside to the street he rushed up to the first person he saw, a policeman, and, dragging the astonished man into his laboratory, showed him the film.

That unknown policeman was the cinema's first audience!



Robert Donat, who plays the part of William Friese-Greene in *The Magic Box*, is here seen in a honeymoon incident from the film



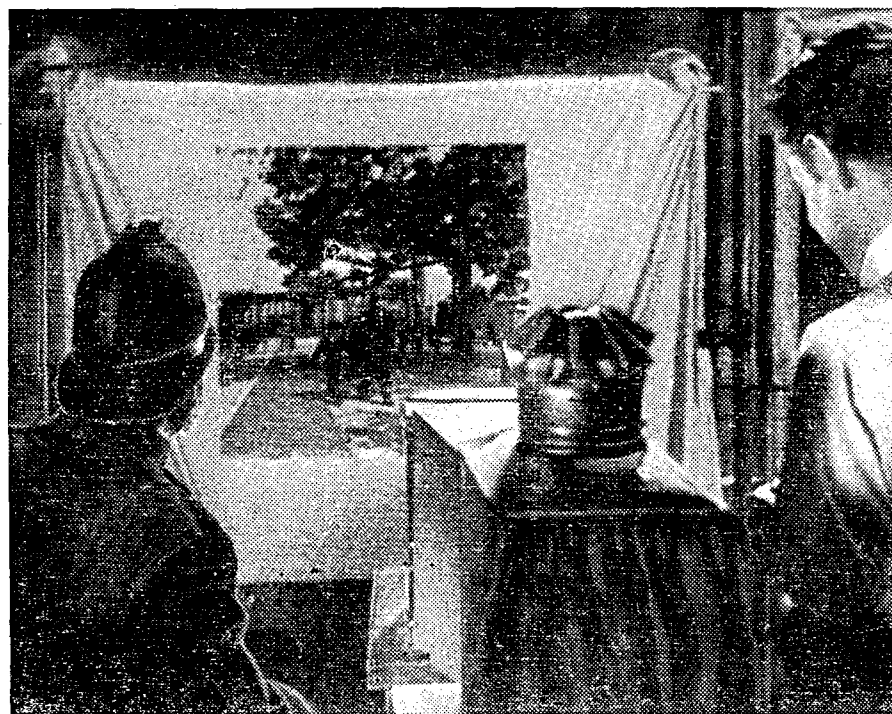
Robert Donat as the inventor, with a replica of the first movie camera



A policeman patrolling his beat in a Holborn street in 1889 (Jack Hulbert, right) is relieved by another constable (Sir Laurence Olivier)



Photographing the first cinema film in Hyde Park



The picture moves on the screen, watched by the astonished policeman

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THOSE FEW

NEXT Sunday the people of these islands will open a very special shrine of remembrance in their hearts.

It is Battle of Britain Sunday, when we remember the immortal "few" of the Royal Air Force who climbed into September skies eleven years ago to challenge and beat back a flying armada.

On their courage and self sacrifice depended the survival of Britain—and, indeed, the freedom of the "many" throughout the world.

In Westminster Abbey a national Service of Thanksgiving will be held at which we shall be called on to "remember before God our brothers who have given their lives that the many may live."

And what this memorial to the fallen airman of those days means for us today is nobly expressed by Milton in these lines to be sung in the anthem:

*Thither shall all the valiant youth resort,
And from his memory inflame their breasts
their breasts
To matchless valour and adventures high.*

PRECIOUS BOOKS

For books are more than books, they are the life,
The very heart and core of ages past,
The reason why men lived and worked and died,
The essence and quintessence of their lives.

Amy Lowell

Under the Editor's Table

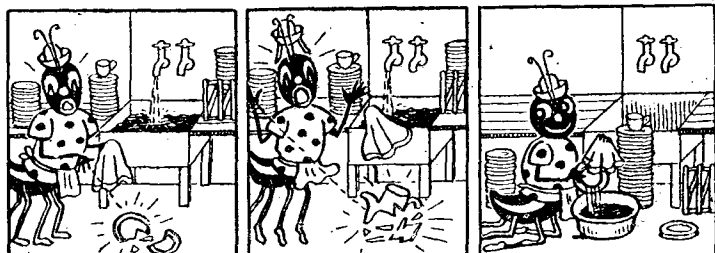
Too many people are talking about money, someone says. Better to let money talk.

Only collect things which are free to collect, says a writer. Your thoughts, for instance.

Some people think prices should be frozen for six months. But they are already a bit stiff.

A fly wastes a lot of energy when it flaps its wings. But it seems to get where it wants to.

BILLY BEETLE



HE REMEMBERED HIS OWN FOLK

A SON of the island of Lewis, biggest of the Hebrides, has left his fortune of £100,000 to its people. He was Mr. Murdo Macaulay, of Salisbury, Southern Rhodesia.

Mr. Macaulay went to Rhodesia when he was about 29 and began to make his fortune by turning out pit props for the mines. When he was rich he continued to live in a small bungalow in Salisbury.

In his will he directed that his money should be devoted to charitable, educational, and other purposes in Lewis, such as scholarships for children, especially those training for commerce, industry, agriculture, and the professions. He was particularly concerned for the welfare of the Lewis fishermen.

The man who dreamed of home in a far-off land has left his dreams to come true in the lives of his own folk.

Youth in the lead

IT is inspiring to know that the British contingent and the British financial contribution were among the biggest at the recent International Youth Camp at Lorelei.

Sir Ivone Kirkpatrick, U.K. High Commissioner in Germany, said to these young folk from several countries: "I think that the efforts of the young people and their enthusiasm may succeed in building the kind of Europe we all want sooner than some of the old pessimists of my generation would have foretold."

The boys and girls of Britain have clearly resolved to take a leading part in developing firmer friendships between the peoples of western Europe—a task vital for the defence of freedom.

JUST AN IDEA

As Nansen wrote: It takes a superior man to allow himself to be convinced in the heat of argument by the logic of another.

PETER PUCK
WANTS TO
KNOW

If acrobats are easily upset

Many writers are surprisingly different from their work. And think the public surprisingly in-different.

A boy who stopped too long at a party said it was because his watch stopped.



The Editor's Table

A crop well lost

PRaise is due to the State of Lebanon for taking steps which will lessen the traffic in drugs, one of the major evils of this world.

At a serious loss to the national income the Lebanese Government have destroyed all plantations growing the dangerous narcotic drug called marijuana, which was exported mainly to Egypt.

The Egyptian Government have expressed gratitude for the cessation of this trade so harmful to the health of their people.

SHOULDER HIGH



Little Pervez Hasan of Pakistan gets a lift up from Group Scoutmaster Tom Sagers of Bermondsey at the International Patrol Camp at Gilwell Park, Essex.

Evenings well spent

ALL over the kingdom just now young people are making their plans for spare-time education.

Every local authority will help them, and in Floodlight, the L.C.C.'s Guide to Further Education (9d.), young Londoners are given a wide range of subjects for the session opening this month.

Those eager to improve their prospects can take vocational courses. Students of any age, seeking knowledge for its own sake, will probably find their pet subject in the L.C.C. programme. Even those interested in unusual studies, such as barge-building and the Hungarian language, are catered for.

The popularity of the classes is shown by the fact that last year the number of students attending them was 338,000—as many as the County of London's school population.

LET YOUTH BE SERVED

They do their Maker wrong,
Who, in the pride of age
Cry down youth's heritage,
And all the eager throng
Of thoughts and plans and schemes,
With which the young brain teems.

Bishop C. W. Stubbs

FLAGS UP FOR BRITAIN!

IN cricket, rowing, cycling, swimming, and athletics it has been a good year for Britain.

Both at home and abroad British youth has displayed the old prowess which gave Britain her name as a sporting nation. Our athletes have had a particularly successful season.

Dudley Nourse, the South African Test captain, says that he "sees quality" in English young cricketers that he did not see four years ago.

The Cambridge crew has shown that in rowing a British eight is able to triumph over the best opposition the world can offer.

It is worth noting such achievements because they refute the modern Jeremiahs who are always casting reflections on the quality of the rising generation.

Useful train-spotting

IT is said that over 95 per cent of the younger boys of Britain are train-spotters. Stations and railway bridges all over the country have had their quota of "spotters" this summer.

An observer who has looked carefully into the hobby says that it leads to intelligent interest in locomotives, railway history, geography, and engineering. It also fosters the habit of exact recording.

He concludes that train-spotting is a good hobby, and not at all the waste of time that some grown-ups think it is.

Local colour

AT a Women's Rural Institute exhibition in Edinburgh the centrepiece was a table-size relief map of Scotland—worked in the vegetation of the areas.

There were moss, fir, lichen, heather, juniper, and so on, all worked onto a hidden base of wire netting. In contrast the sea and lochs were brightly coloured with blue copper sulphate.

The map was extremely effective, and schools might well adopt the idea for local maps.

THINGS SAID

PEOPLE who shiver this winter will not be warmed by the better prospects of five years hence. Sir Hubert Houldsworth, N.C.B. chief

ONE of the hardest questions for a man or woman who has spent a busy life in the practice of a profession is this: When do I call it a day?

Helena Normanton, K.C.

I LOVE work. I begrudge everyone I see going to work. I want to be going too.

Pat O'Leary, of London, on his 102nd birthday

DON'T let irritation divide us from our friendship. Great friendship and little minds go ill together.

Mr. Anthony Eden, in a speech at New York

I CAN truly say the King and I long to see the Bible back where it ought to be, as a guide and comfort in the homes and lives of our people. The Queen

The Bairns of Skye

A Scottish correspondent who has been on holiday in the Hebrides sends us this happy little story.

DRIVING up a remote glen somewhere beyond the Isle of Skye I noticed a cluster of beehives behind a tiny white-washed cottage standing a little back from the road.

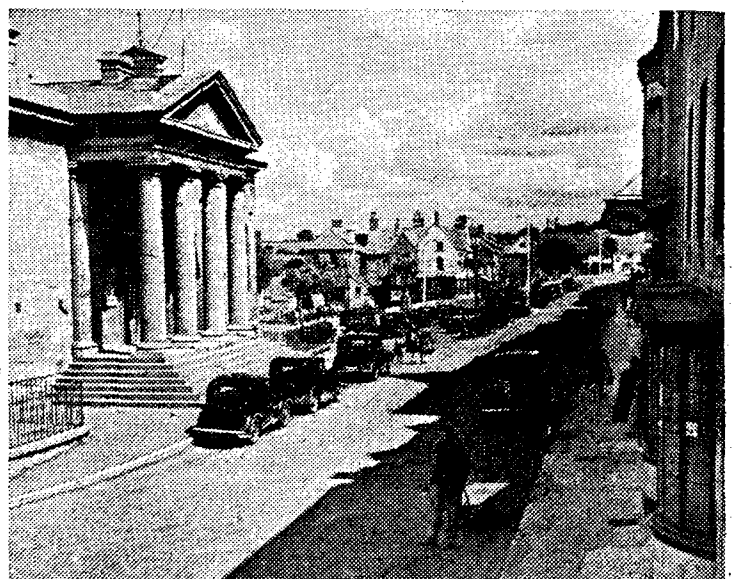
I am addicted to heather honey, so I stopped to beg a few combs from the good lady of the cottage. As she wrapped up the honeycombs I noted with some surprise that she was using an old copy of the CN for the purpose.

"Do you get the CN regularly away up here?" I asked her.

"Oh, yes," she replied in that lilting, attractive accent of the speaker who is more at home in her native Gaelic than in English.

"It arrives two to three days late, you must know, but it comes all the way up the Road to the Isles, crosses the loch on the ferry on the Friday evening, and Alex the shepherd brings it along the drove-path and over the hill on the Saturday morning.

"The bairns are aye out looking for him that morning!"



OUR HOMELAND

The Town Hall and Market Place at Chipping Norton in Oxfordshire

LEARNING TO BE A FARMER

9. The art of stack-building

Last month the corn was cut and stooked, and now, having dried out, it is ready for carting away to the stackyard. This article explains the general rules followed in building the sheaves into stacks.

ALL the corn on Grove Farm had been cut and stooked, and Mr. Waring decided to take advantage of the spell of fine weather to cart some of it into the stackyard. So he took Ian



Stacking the sheaves of corn

along to instruct him in making a foundation for a stack.

"What we want to do, Ian," he said, "is to keep the corn at the bottom of the stack from coming into contact with the ground. If we just built the stack on the plain earth, the first foot or so of the stack would be ruined by dampness, so we build what we call a 'stack-bottom'."

"All it consists of is a lot of tree branches laid over the area where the base of the stack will be, and then covered with brushwood and straw. If we build the stack on top of that it is kept off the ground completely and no corn is wasted."

"Isn't it very difficult to build a stack on top of all that brushwood?" asked Ian.

"No, not really," answered the farmer, "once you know how. The general principle is to place the sheaves all with the butts facing outwards, going round and round in circles until you reach the centre. Then you start at the outside again."

"The main thing to watch is that you keep the centre of the stack always a little higher than the outside, so that the sheaves are all pointing slightly downwards. Then, if any rain does get into the stack it will run down the stalks and out again."

"I should think it is very difficult to keep the sides of the stack nice and straight and to bring the roof to a smooth point," observed Ian.

"Yes, it is," said Mr. Waring, "and you will hear a lot of good-humoured leg-pulling if one of the stacks is not quite straight,

because there is always keen competition among the local farm workers to see who can build the neatest stack.

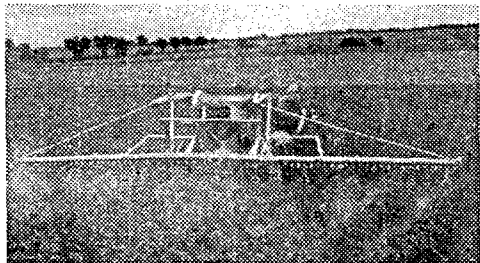
"It is really a very skilled job and one that isn't learned all in one season. But I'll let you stay here and help Bob, and he can show you how it is done. Then next year you shall have a try at it yourself."

Looking anxiously at the sky, which was becoming slightly overcast, he said: "I hope this fine weather continues; I want to get the oats in while they are still untouched by rain. The wheat doesn't matter so much because the straw is much stiffer and the water runs off it easily, but oat straw is soft and soaks up the water, and once it gets wet it takes a long time to dry."

"Also, I want the oat straw in good condition because, being soft, it makes good fodder for the cattle. But wheat straw can only be used for litter anyway, so it doesn't matter too much if it gets a bit wet and goes mouldy."

Mr. Waring went off to see how the men were progressing with loading the carts, and Ian was left to carry on with the stack bottom. He was very surprised a few minutes later to see Mr. Waring hurrying towards the house, and as he passed him he asked what was the matter.

"I was just passing the potato field," answered the farmer, "and I noticed that a few plants were touched with blight, a disease which could ruin the whole crop in a few days. Luckily we can control it by spraying with a copper compound, so I'm just going to phone the spraying contractor to see if he can come



Spraying a field of potatoes

and do the job right away."

As he watched the farmer hurry off into the house, Ian reflected how wrong it was to think that farming was a slow and unexciting life in which nothing ever happened, for here, before his eyes, were several hundred pounds' worth of potatoes likely to have been lost had it not been for the keen eye and expert knowledge of the farmer.

(Next month Ian will learn how potato-lifting is done.)

Mystery of the Three Bears

A tiny manuscript, beautifully written, which is on view at the Festival Book Exhibition, London, is an early version of the famous story of The Three Bears, the tale which seems to have a magic of its own for delighting very small children.

This version, on which the ink is now faded, was written by Eleanor Mure, and it is illustrated by small water-colours.

It has given rather a shock to those who had believed that this well-loved story was made up by the poet Southey. His version was published in 1837, but the little book at the Victoria and Albert Museum was presented in 1831 to someone called Horace Broke.

Eleanor Mure's version differs in many respects from the one we tell small brothers and sisters at bedtime. In hers, Goldilocks is not a little girl but a grey-haired old woman who, unlike Goldilocks, does not escape rough handling from the indignant bears.

In one picture she is seen sprawling on top of a church steeple where she has been thrown by the bears, and underneath is written: "And chuck her aloft on St. Paul's churchyard steeple."

This is very interesting, for St. Paul's has not had a steeple since the Great Fire of London.

Perhaps this popular nursery tale had its origin in the very long ago.

CAVE EXPLORERS IN THE PYRENEES

An underground cavern big enough to hold two cathedrals has been discovered in the Pyrenees. A party of cave explorers found it at a depth of 1520 feet.

At one end of the cavern flows an underground torrent, and it is believed that this feeds a waterfall in the gorges of Cacus, about 1½ miles away on the Spanish side of the Pyrenees. Lacking a suitable equipment the expedition was obliged to postpone further exploration until next summer.

Photographs and valuable data on subterranean fauna were obtained by the explorers.

CYCLE SERVICE

25. Helpful organisations

Through a club you will enjoy and learn more about cycling than in any other way.

The Cyclists' Touring Club has many active local sections, and you can try a run with them. For your local secretary's address write to C.T.C., 3 Craven Hill, London, W.2.

The National Cyclists Union will also have a directory of clubs affiliated to them, usually clubs interested in the racing side of cycling as well as touring. The N.C.U. address is 35 Doughty Street, London, W.C.1.

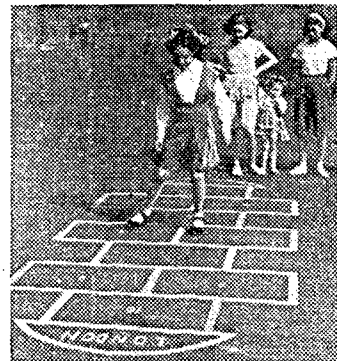
An added advantage in belonging to either of these organisations lies in the insurance, legal aid, and other services they offer to their members.

V. S.



PLAYTIME IN LONDON TOWN

Tower Bridge forms the background in the picture above of children playing on the old cannon by the riverside. On the right we see children in Stepney playing hopscotch on the permanent "pitches" painted by the Borough Council. Below, a crocodile of roller-skaters on the open-air rink at Victoria Park, in East London.



200 JETS IN FLY-PAST

On Saturday, September 15, the eleventh anniversary of the Battle of Britain, London will see a lone Hurricane lead 200 jet fighters and 80 piston-engined aircraft in a fly-past over the capital.

The latest types of Meteors and Vampires of the R.A.F. Fighter Command, and Thunderjets and Sabres of the United States Air Force will be included in this aerial armada.

The squadrons will meet near Southend and fly due west to a point over the South Bank.

Then, turning north over Whitehall, they will proceed to Hyde Park Corner, where the formation will break up into five separate groups, and fly over High Wycombe, Reading, and Swindon; Aylesbury and Northants; Dorking and Littlehampton; Wokingham and Weybridge; and Watford.

Throughout the day the R.A.F. will be At Home at some 80 or 90 stations in various parts of the country, displaying to the public their work, both in the air and on the ground.

A ROYAL PROGRESS 100 YEARS AGO

An extract from The Times of 100 years ago gives a delightful picture of the occasion when Queen Victoria travelled for the first time on the new Great Northern line, which had opened to King's Cross the year before.

The train, drawn by what we should probably call an "Emett" engine stopped at Hitchin for water.

"The station was decorated with flags, evergreens, and flowers," wrote The Times re-

porter of those days, "and was thronged as full as it could hold with gentlemen, ladies, men, women, and children. . . . In default of cannon, bands, or other noisy manifestations of loyalty, the people hit upon a pretty method of showing it by singing God Save the Queen, led by the sweet voices of young children."

Refreshed, the locomotive and its train of carriages proceeded through Hertfordshire at some 30 miles an hour.

HITLER'S OWN YACHT

By the CN Shipping Correspondent

The Grille, Hitler's personal yacht which was built for him in Germany 16 years ago, is now being broken up for scrap in America.

She was equipped with all the most modern navigational devices of her time, including "press-button" steering instead of a wheel. The idea, which was expected to revolutionise steering, was copied in several other German vessels but was not as responsive as ordinary wheel steering and never really found favour.

During the war the Grille, formerly white, was camouflaged and hidden in one of the fjords near Narvik, in Norway, where she acted as an accommodation vessel for submarine crews. She was protected by anti-torpedo nets, and an anti-submarine boom.

After the war it was intended that she should become a private yacht, but she was too large for most would-be owners, and her engines were complicated and required expert care, while replacements were difficult to obtain.

The first acetelyne torch for her destruction was ceremoniously applied by Mr. Norman Foy, assistant administrator of the National Production Authority of the United States, at Bordentown, New Jersey. It is estimated that the Grille will yield 3000 tons of high-quality steel scrap.

CHILDREN'S ART SHOW

More than 36,000 pictures by children between five and 16 were submitted for the Festival of Britain National Exhibition of Children's Art, organised by the Sunday Pictorial. That many of these attained a high standard can be realised at the Royal Institute Galleries, Piccadilly, London, where a selected number are on view until September 29.

These pictures will also be shown at Dundee, Manchester, and Hull.

Steps to Sporting Fame



A young lady who has "leapt" to fame is 23-year-old Mrs. Sheila Lerwill (she was formerly Sheila Alexander) London housewife and business secretary.



Sheila was 18 when she entered for her first high jump. Then, coached by George Pallett, she changed to the straddle style. In 1950 she won the British title with a record jump of 5 feet 6½ inches.



Then followed the capture of the European championship; and on July 7 this year she made the world record jump of 5 feet 7½ inches, beating Mrs. Fanny Blankers-Koen's long-standing record of 5 feet 7½ inches.



Another of Sheila's activities is netball. She had left school when she began to give this game her attention, but progressed swiftly from club team to county team, and within a short while to the international arena.

FENIMORE COOPER—PIONEER OF THE RED INDIAN STORY

All the world over boys and girls—and grown-ups, too—have enjoyed for more than a century tales of Red Indians and frontier feuds. The man who really created this exciting type of adventure story was James Fenimore Cooper, who died 100 years ago on September 14.

Often called "the American Sir Walter Scott," Cooper, too, gave to the world several fascinating and memorable characters, such as Natty Bumpo, Birch, Long Tom Coffin, and Leather-Stocking. His masterpiece, The Last of the Mohicans, became a classic.

James was born at Burlington, New Jersey, on September 15, 1789. When only a baby he was taken to Otsego Lake, New York State, where his father, a New Jersey judge and Congressman, founded a settlement. So the boy grew up in the atmosphere of frontier and forest country, although by then the grim days of fighting with Indians were over.

He had a good education, and was the youngest student when he entered Yale College at 13. He was, however, expelled for playing pranks. It must have been a shock to Judge Cooper when he learned

that his son had been caught trying to push a donkey into the classroom!

James then sailed before the mast for two years on a merchant ship. Later he became an officer in the American Navy until his father died, leaving him £12,000.

At the age of 21 he married the daughter of a New York bishop and settled down as a typical American gentleman-farmer.

THE CHALLENGE

Till then he had never shown the slightest inclination to become an author. But one night he was reading a novel aloud to his wife. Halfway through, he tossed the book aside, exclaiming: "I could write a better one myself!" Jestingly, Mrs. Cooper challenged him to try.

He set to work and finished a novel, called Precaution, in amazingly quick time, publishing it under a nom-de-plume. It was a failure, but Cooper was already at work on The Spy, which brought his name to public notice.

When in 1823 he produced The Pioneers over 3000 copies were eagerly bought on the first day, and Fenimore Cooper was famous.

That third book introduced his most celebrated character, Natty Bumpo, who appeared in four other novels. These were called the Leather-Stocking Tales—after the name of another character—and achieved world renown. Natty is a pioneer who cannot settle down in a town or a fine house. He has countless adventures with Redskins, friendly and treacherous.

In 1833 Cooper bought back the old home by the lake, Otsego Hall. A happy family man, he loved fishing for bass, and enjoyed a chat in the village, where log cabins mingled with fine mansions; and old-timers recalled tussles in the nearby forests.

The passing years have confirmed Cooper's fame as a pioneer in the adventure story, but it is often forgotten that he wrote The Pilot and other thrilling sea-tales, based on his own naval experiences.

Cooper was an erratic, forceful writer. He brought to life the atmosphere of the Indian hunting-grounds, the prairie feuds, the frontier villages. The Last of the Mohicans, in particular, was read as far afield as Japan, Russia, Arabia, and Spain.

GREENMANTLE IS COMING!

A picture-version of John Buchan's famous thriller, Greenmantle, begins next week in the CN.

This is one of John Buchan's most exciting yarns, and it illustrates the kind of desperate mission British secret service agents have been called on to carry out.

John Buchan's story is set in the First World War, when the Kaiser's Germany was trying to promote a fanatical "holy war" of Mohammedans against the Allies.

In Greenmantle, four brave and resourceful men (two Britishers, an American, and a South African Dutchman) travel through enemy territory to Constantinople, where they hope to frustrate the holy war plot at its source.

The breath-taking adventures of this daring little party, hobnobbing, under various disguises, with Germans and Turks, will fascinate every CN reader.

John Buchan, who was created Lord Tweedsmuir, lived from 1875 to 1940, and as well as being one of the leading writers of his time was a man of affairs. He became Governor-General of Canada.

FAMILIAR FACE

A man whose portrait has been reproduced, perhaps, more than any other person's in history, has just died at Portslade, near Brighton, aged 83. He was Thomas Huntley Wood, the sailor whose bearded face has appeared on many millions of cigarette packets and advertisements.

Mr. Wood was serving in H.M.S. Edinburgh in 1897 when a photographer was impressed by his fine upstanding sailor-like appearance, and took a picture of him for a magazine. The following year the picture appeared in a tobacco advertisement.

After that Mr. Wood's bearded face became one of the most familiar in Britain, but he became so bored with people recognising him that he shaved off his beard.

VICE VERSA—F. ANSTEY'S AMUSING SCHOOL STORY TOLD IN PICTURES (Final instalment)



Mr. Bultitude ran upstairs and met his younger son, Roly, who had picked up the missing magic stone. It only gave one wish to one person, and in breathless excitement he urged Roly to say: "I wish Papa and Brother Dick back as they were before." The child did so, and Mr. Bultitude swelled out into his rightful form. He kissed astonished Roly, then went down to the library where Dr. Grimstone was waiting.



Mr. Bultitude's sufferings had made him a more affectionate father. He forgave Dick, who had also resumed his rightful form, and insisted that Dr. Grimstone should not punish him for "running away from school." Reluctantly the Doctor agreed not to. He gave Dick a sovereign and promised him he should go to Harrow next term—which was what Dick wanted. "Papa, you're a brick!" said the boy, hugging him gratefully.



Mr. Bultitude's troubles were not quite over. At his office he found his staff altered in their manner to him. Dick, in his father's form, had invited them, to their surprise and delight, to join in all sorts of pranks instead of working. The office boy in particular was atrociously familiar—and openly chewed peppermints. It was some time before the City merchant could restore his former authority.



Meanwhile, Dick, back at school, found that his father had earned him the character of a sneak and a coward. The whole school seemed to have the impression that they could kick him with impunity—but a few unsuccessful experiments convinced them that this was a popular error on their part! Gradually he won back their esteem, but he kept his promise to his father and never told them of the amazing transformation.

A picture-version of John Buchan's famous tale, Greenmantle, begins on this page next week



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Mark Westaway's Diary

3. The Tale of the Terrified Terrier

In his diary Mark Westaway jots down some of the things that happen to him and friends, Bob and Bryony Gimble. This week he recalls an adventure on the fells.

"It wouldn't be barking like that if it was only excited," Bry said. "It's something different."

"Lost, p'raps?" said Bob. "Want to go and see?"

But I wanted to go on. We were out on our bikes, a long way from home, and we had made plans for the evening, anyway.

"Oh, Mark!" Bry said. "You are mean! Supposing you were lost up on the fellside, you'd be jolly fed up if people just went by without stopping to help."

"I wouldn't know, if they didn't stop," I said.

"Well, I'm going, even if no one else does," she said. So, of course, Bob and I had to go too.

We would not even have heard the barking if we had not stopped to try to make out where some smoke was coming from. We had never seen smoke up there before. It was a fairly steep fellside, rough turf with boggy patches and sheep-tracks you could follow in single file. Bry went first, then her brother. I came at the rear, grumbling a good deal, I am afraid. It did not seem likely that anything would happen that afternoon worth putting down in my diary. While what we were going to do that evening . . . but that is another story!

"Let's stop and listen again," Bry said.

There was no doubt that the barking was panicky.

"If he were just lost," I said, "he'd be sort of whimpering, not barking like that." I suppose I was trying to make up to Bry for not being keen to go.

"I don't like the note in his voice," Bry said. "Let's hurry." And she was off at a terrific pace up the fellside.

THE sky had been quite blue, but now there was a curious grey-ness in the air. As we got higher I think we all noticed at once the faint smell of burning.

"There's a fell fire!" I said. "Some ass of a hiker must have thrown a cigarette-end down and not stamped it out! We ought to tell—"

"Come on!" said Bry. "We'll see to the dog first." And she went ahead faster than ever. In the minute we had stood watching the smoke and getting our breath back the dog's barking had seemed a lot nearer, and more terrified.

"There he is!" Bob exclaimed, pointing.

There was a long, straight earth-and-turf wall running up the fell-

side, with a row of short posts and a single strand of wire—the boundary between two farmers' sheep-grazing grounds, I expect. And in the shallow ditch on our side of it we could see now a white object jerking about.

We rushed on, topped a small rise, and saw something else. "Look at that!" I yelled.

IN front of us a line of smoke seemed to be crawling out of the turf. And beneath the smoke we could now see little tongues of hungry flame. They made a ring closing in on the dog. No wonder he was barking so fearfully. He was jumping madly up and down, but only on his hind legs.

"He's trapped!" Bry shouted back to us.

It was a desperate race, that last hundred yards or so. The turf was spongier and the slope was certainly steeper. As we ran we were breathing in great gulps of smoke through our mouths. Bry reached the dog first. She could always beat us over rough going. But she had hardly stopped before we drew level with her.

The dog—a wire-haired terrier about a year old—was almost mad with terror by then. There was foam coming from the sides of his mouth and his eyes had a horrid staring look in them. One fore-paw was fast in a rabbit-trap—the sort that has two iron jaws that snap to and are locked by a powerful spring. Someone must have set it in the ditch and forgotten about it.

"Now what?" Bob said. Then, loudly: "Come back, Bry!"

Bry had not waited, but had

darted forward to the frightened dog. It snarled at her angrily. Bob and I knew that if she got close enough it would bite her, in its terror and panic. And a bite from a dog in that state . . . I had read something somewhere about hydrophobia.

"Wait a sec.," I said, and began to peel off my jumper.

Bob saw what I was up to at once. We worked together, in silence, very warily. While Bob attracted his attention by pretending to approach him from the front, I slipped quickly round behind him, holding my jumper like a matador—fortunately it was a fairly old one! I seized my moment and plunged forward, throwing my jumper right over the dog's head and shoulders, and then pulled back on it and screwed it up.

The instant the terrier was muzzled, Bob got to work. With Bry hopping about in a fearful state alongside him, he put his right foot down with all his weight on the spring of the trap. The jaws fell apart, and we could see their cruel, jagged teeth, stained with the poor terrier's blood. Bry let out one little screech and turned away. And as she turned, she gasped.

"Quick, Bob!" There was fear in her voice, now.

We glanced up for a moment. We had been so busy that we had not noticed how near that line of smoke and flame had crept. It was almost on us, and moving rapidly.

I heard the click of the trap's teeth as they closed again. "O.K., Mark," Bob said. The dog was free.

It was curious. Though he had growled as Bob approached him, thinking he was an enemy, like the trap, now he had gone all quiet. His body was warm inside my jumper, but it had gone limp. When I first got hold of him he was tense. Now he was trembling. We spoke soothingly to it, but I was not going to take his jumper-muzzle off it till I was sure!

"Hurry!" Bry said.

Now we could spare time to look about us we saw how very nearly surrounded we were. The dry turf was burning in a sort of flat horseshoe, and the sooner we were clear of it the better! No wonder the dog had been in such a state. Of course, he would have scented the approach of the fire ages before a human being would.

We stumbled and tripped down that steep fellside up which we had been struggling a few minutes before. Bry skimmed ahead of us, shouting back over her shoulder that she was looking for water. At first we thought she meant to put out the fell fire. Then we understood.

"We can stop now," she said, panting. She had raced on ahead, found water, dipped Bob's handkerchief into it, and was ready to do some first-aid. "I'll take over," she said firmly.

Rather gingerly, I slipped my jumper off the dog's head and shoulders. He did a most unexpected thing—he sneezed! It made Bob and me burst out laughing, but Bry was too busy with her bandaging even to notice. She had

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- 2 The White House, residence of the U.S. President, is in which city?
- 3 A codicil is—an insect, a book, or an addition to a will?
- 4 What is the capital of the Isle of Man?
- 5 Complete these book titles: Barnaby —; Little —; Martin —.
- 6 In what sport would you tack?
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- 8 Who said: Ah! happy years! once more who would not be a boy?

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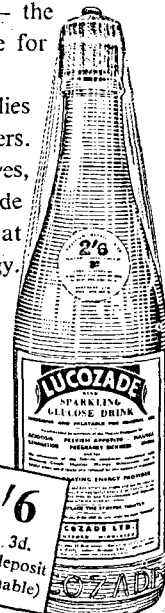
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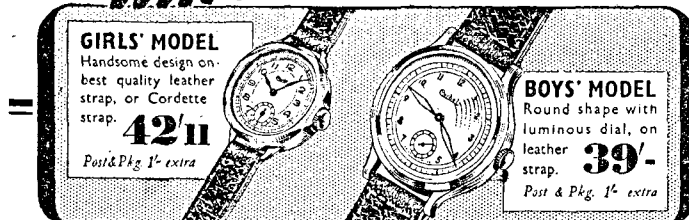
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Now, touring in this country is the U.S. women's lacrosse team, returning the visit to America made by British girls two years ago. The American girls are good players, but it appears unlikely that they will manage to beat a representative British side.

DONALD BENNETT, the 17-year-old Middlesex fast bowler, who has been well among the wickets this summer, has signed professional forms for Arsenal. Thus he joins Brian Close (Yorkshire) and Arthur Milton (Gloucestershire) on the soccer staff at Highbury.

THE first big game of the Rugby season will be held at the Rectory Field, Blackheath, on Saturday, when a special Festival game will be played. The teams will be chosen from United Kingdom and French internationals. Before the match a short game of Rugby will be played with the rules and dress as in 1862, when teams comprised only eleven men, and tripping and hacking were allowed.

CHESS champions are not always grey-beards. The new champion of America is 19-year-old Larry Evans, a handsome college student.

CONGRATULATIONS to Neville Dunn, 17-year-old Newcastle clerk, the new British boys' golf champion. He won the title a few weeks ago when he beat 16-year-old Michael Lunt, of Uppingham School, the captain of the English boys' team.

MARK WESTAWAY'S DIARY

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sat down on a hummock and was nursing the terrier like a baby. She wiped the blood from his paw, smoothed the hairs away from the torn flesh, and all the time talked to him quietly and soothingly. Of course, she has always been good with animals. She seems to understand them. And they seem to know that she does.

"Can you two manage?" I said. "Something ought to be done about that fire, you know."

"You dash ahead, Mark," said Bob. "Find a telephone and ring the police or something. Bry and I'll see to the dog."

I was off like a shot, stumbling over the shaggy turf. I came to the road, hopped onto my bike, and was off downhill at full pelt.

THEY told me afterwards about their amazing stroke of luck. Bob did most of the carrying, when Bry had done all she could to make the terrier comfortable. She had made sure that there were no bones broken, anyway. They had only just reached the roadside, and were wondering how to manage, when a car slowed down

JOHN BROCKWAY, from Newport, Monmouthshire, recently won the A.S.A. 100-yards back-stroke championship for the fourth successive year.

A WORD of praise to Angela Barnwell, 15-year-old Worthing schoolgirl, one of the most promising of Britain's young swimmers. Angela won the national girls' 100-yards free-style title, after setting up a new British junior record of 62.8 seconds in the semi-final.

THE English cricketers who have been touring Canada under the captaincy of R. W. V. Robins, are bringing back "the Ashes." The new Ashes are those of a British Columbian totem pole, contained in a silver casket, and they were first played for between England and Canada at Vancouver a few weeks ago. This was the first Test Match ever played between the two countries.

WHEN Jack Ikin, the Lancashire left-hander, was forced to drop out of the M.C.C. party to tour India this winter, the vacancy was given to Cyril Poole, the Notts batsman and brilliant fielder. He did not make his debut in county cricket until 1946, but he has become one of the most attractive left-hand batsmen in the country.

THE F.A. Cup competition starts on Saturday, but it will be some months before any of the famous clubs enter the contest. In the preliminary rounds several hundred of our amateur clubs will be playing for THE Cup, and though none of them have any hope of winning the famous trophy, all will play with as much zest as if they were in the Final.

NEXT week the curling season will open in London. This Scottish game, sometimes called "bowls on ice," is increasing in popularity in England, and regular matches will be played at Richmond Ice Rink.

and stopped. The people took Bry and the casualty on board, leaving Bob to manage his bike and hers.

The car overtook me when I was still about a mile from the village, and I saw Bry waving through the back window.

When I arrived in the village I made straight for the little police station, and I passed the car outside the vet's. The police were soon on the phone to a fire squad that was kept in readiness for this sort of thing. When I left the police station Bry, looking very pleased, was just coming out of the vet's. "He says there are no bones broken," she announced.

"Good work, Bry," I said. Just then there was a shout, and we saw Bob coming along, riding his bike and leading Bry's and trying to wave to us! It all ended happily, too. The vet knew the dog's owner. And what is more, Bob and I buried that trap deep in a hole we dug in Bob's garden. Such things ought to be prohibited, I say.

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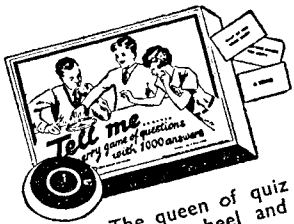
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One of the most fascinating dances is without music. It is the Bosnian Old Dumb reel, performed by Yugoslavs wearing exotic dress. Only the drumming of the women's feet on the floor and the regular jingling of their jewels mark the rhythm.

As for attractive costumes, our British Islanders are not far behind. Men dancers from Northern Ireland wear saffron kilts and Irish white lace cravats, while the girls wear gay green dresses embroidered with Celtic designs;

both carry a cape called the Brat. There is a lively swinging and swishing of capes and kilts in the hornpipes, reels, and jigs.

The Scots, equally spectacular in dress, perform the sword dances, Strathspeys, and other mettlesome measures loved on both sides of the border.

Very different in style, but as entrancing, are the Spaniards, who give a vivid performance of the classical Vito, the reputed source of all Spanish dances. The very names of their dances, the charra-das and fandangos, and of their music, the Malaguena and the Petenera, suggest the grace and fiery spirit of sunny Spain.

YOUNG QUIZ—Answers

- 1 Sir Francis Drake.
- 2 Washington.
- 3 An addition to a will.
- 4 Douglas.
- 5 Rudge, Dorrit, Chuzzlewit.
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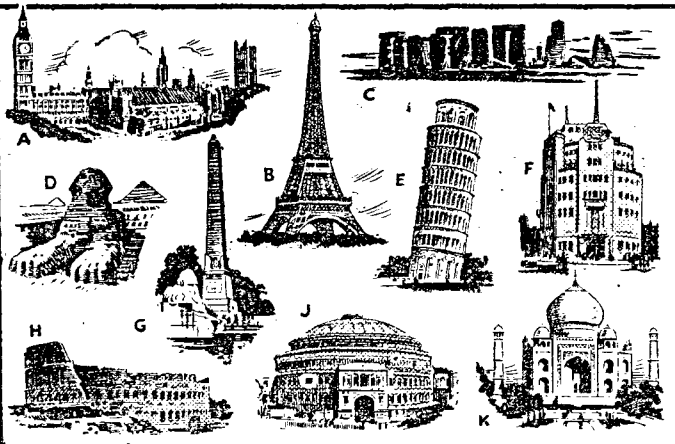
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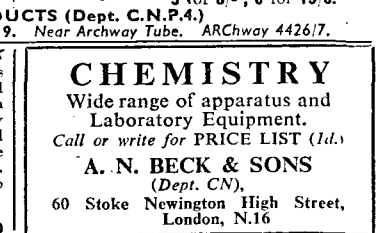
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STIRRING TIMES

THE traveller, staying overnight in a small village, was talking to one of the inhabitants.

"This is a dull place," he complained. "Doesn't anything ever happen here?"

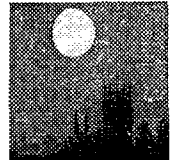
"Well, sir," said the villager, "if you were here next week you would see the whole countryside stirred up."

"And what does happen next week?" asked the stranger.

"Ploughing."

OTHER WORLDS

IN the evening Jupiter is in the east. In the morning Mars is



low in the east and Jupiter is in the south-west. The picture shows the Moon as it may be seen at 10 o'clock on Thursday evening, September 13.

Christmas is coming

SPARE a thought for Christmas when you go blackberrying! Acorns and oak apples, which you can collect with the berries, will make excellent decorations.

Put them in a cool place and allow them to dry thoroughly. When Christmas is getting near thread the acorns and oak apples on gold or silver cord. Give them a coat of glue, roll them in artificial frost—and you have a glittering decoration for the Christmas tree!

BEDTIME CORNER

The drawing lesson

IT was the first day back at school after the holidays. Sheila, who had never liked drawing anyway, found that she just could not concentrate in the drawing class.

She found herself thinking about the farm where she had stayed—the animals, haymaking, and the trips to market with the farmer. So it was no wonder that she did not hear teacher when she spoke.

"Sheila!" The teacher spoke louder.

"I'm sorry," stammered Sheila.

"I was saying," said teacher, "that today you can draw anything that reminds you of your holidays."

Sheila immediately thought of her favourite task of helping to feed the pigs. She closed her eyes, and she could almost see the scene. In next to no time her drawing was finished.

"My! That's very good," said teacher, looking over Sheila's shoulder. "You have used your imagination."

After that Sheila always enjoyed drawing lessons, for whenever she could not think of anything to draw, she would close her eyes and imagine the scene—and then she could draw it beautifully!

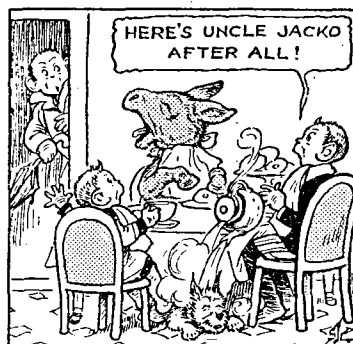
THERE WAS MORE THAN ONE DONKEY AT JACKO'S TEA PARTY



Neddy looked very cold and miserable out in the pouring rain.



So as there was room at the tea party Jacko invited him in.



And what a shock for Uncle Jacko when he saw the donkey!

The Windsor acrostic

THIS double acrostic was written by Queen Victoria for the amusement of her children. The initials, read downwards, form a town in the north of England; and the final letters, read upwards, tell what the town is famed for.

A city in Italy; a river in Germany; the capital of the U.S.; another city in the U.S.; a town in Holland; variant spelling of Istanbul; a town in Finland; a city in Greece; a circle on the globe.

Answer next week

NOT BAD

A YOUNG Londoner, very proud of his city, was taken on a tour of Edinburgh. At the end of the trip his host asked:

"Now what do you think of this city? Is it not more beautiful than any you have ever seen?"

"Well," said the Londoner, "it's certainly not bad for the provinces."

WARNING

IT's grand to eat nice apples when Sweet autumn, with her tints, has come;

But if the apples you devour Are far too many, and too sour, There'll be an accent on the "tum"!

RODDY



"Excuse me, but can you paint screws with it as well?"

Sharp look-out

SAID an ardent bird-watcher named Glover:

"I will hide here and study the plover. There are bushes of gorse, And huge thistles, of course, Which provide the most excellent cover."

CHAIN QUIZ

Each solution is linked with the next, the last two letters of the first answer being the first two of the second answer, and so on.

1. Method of painting pictures on walls; the wall is plastered and the painting done while the plaster is still wet, the colours thus becoming more durable.

2. State of America lying astride the Rocky Mountains; its greatest scenic wonder is the Grand Canyon; gives name to dangerous potato pest.

3. Italian composer (1797-1848); composed 62 operas, one of which, Lucia di Lammermoor, is based on Scott's novel.

4. Italian painter (died 1576); one of the world's greatest portrait painters, his name is given to a shade of golden auburn hair.

Answer next week

QUITE A

THE side-show of the museum of curiosities among the exhibits was a skull which the showman said was Cromwell's.

One of the audience expressed doubts. "But Cromwell had a large head," he said "and this is quite a small skull."

The showman was equal to the occasion.

"Quite so," he said. "But this is Cromwell's skull when he was a boy."

FARMER GRAY EXPLAINS

A HANDSOME BEETLE. A large insect alighted on a nearby willow, causing Don's eyes to leave the float which he had been patiently watching.

He saw a slender beetle, about 1½ inches long, excluding the long antennae. It was the insect's colour, however, which drew a gasp of admiration from the boy. For wing-cases, legs, and antennae, were of a shining green tint.

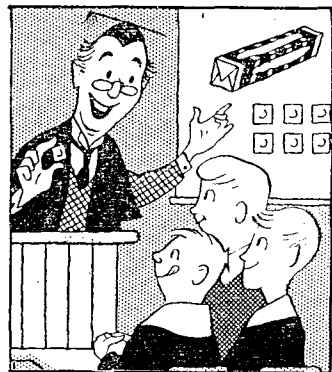
"A musk-beetle," said Farmer Gray, hearing of the insect. "While they are in the larval state musk-beetles spend from three to four years inside a tree. They give off a sweet odour."

LAST WEEK'S ANSWERS

Club-Words
Liverpool, West
Ham, Blackburn,
Stockport, Bradford,
Swansea

Chain Quiz
Globe, Bergerac,
Acetylene, Nchru
Riddle in Rhyme
Hedge-hog

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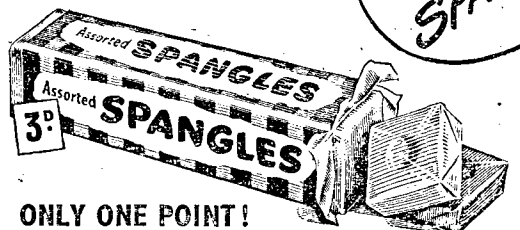
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